

(Driving times are approximate.)

## **GROUP & SCHOOL TOURS:**

Planning a visit to the Heritage Center with a school or social group?

We provide docent led tours of our exhibit spaces for your groups (requires advance reservation).

These tours usually run 1 hour encompassing all the major exhibits on display at that time but the length of the tour may be tailored to your groups interests or needs.

## PLAN YOUR NEXT BUSINESS OR PRIVATE EVENT IN OUR FACILITIES.

For any further information or added questions you may have about renting our facilities, contact our Museum Tour Group Coordinators.

## CONFERENCE ROOM

Capacity: Maximum 12 persons. Suitable for business meetings, lunches, presentations, or other small gatherings.

## GADSBY'S TAVERN DINING CAR RENTAL

Capacity: Maximum 40 persons. Enjoy the ambiance aboard our restored C&O dining car; The Gadsby's Tavern Suitable for business meetings, lunches, presentations, or social occasions such as birthday parties, gatherings, anniversaries, or reunions.

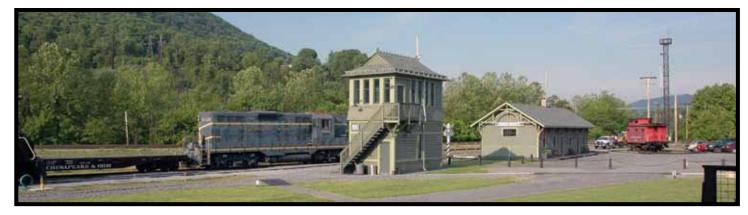
For more information about our facilities contact the museum by telephone at 540-862-8653 or email: cohs@cohs.org. Catering is available for your event.

## YOUR SUPPORT MAKES IT POSSIBLE

The Society prides itself on being self sufficient in every way that it can; but we cannot build new structures, restore cars and locomotives, and add new exhibits without the support of the community and our members. Admissions and gift shop sales support daily operating expenses, but all funds to expand and grow the Center must come from you. As you will experience when you visit the C&O Railway Heritage Center today, you will be able to see and enjoy the fruits of your contribution, and know that many generations to come will enjoy and learn from what we have all built together.

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The Chesapeake and Ohio Historical Society is proud to offer The C&O Railway Heritage Center | Clifton Forge. This Center is a railway heritage museum, interpretive, educational, and visitor's center that tells the story of the C&O Railway: the people, the places, and the technology. The story is the essential American story of how our nation grew, how we lived and worked, and how we were all connected together by twin rails of steel. This Center is also to honor the memory and contribution of those who worked every day to make this possible. Although not as dramatic as a story of war, it is every bit as heroic.

# BRING YOUR GROUP TO THE

OPEN: TUESDAY THRU SATURDAY 10AM - 4PM









## N FOR A GROUP TOURS (15 OR MORE) \$5.00 PER PERSON.

## **FEATURES**

- RESTORED 1896 FREIGHT DEPOT
- O AND G SCALE TRAIN LAYOUTS
- C&O SIGNAL TOWER FOR VIEWING TRAINS
- REPLICA 1891 PASSENGER STATION
- SECTION TOOL HOUSE WITH HANDCAR
- C&O GP7 5828
- RESTORED 1922 DINING CAR
- RESTORED C&O COMBINATION CAR 458
- RESTORED 1949 C&O CABOOSE 90219
- RESTORED HOCKING VALLEY CABOOSE 90382
- RIDE ON 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> INCH GAUGE TRAIN
- PICNIC SHELTER AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

When we began building the C&O Railway Heritage Center, we said that we would transform a blighted area into a place that would serve this community and the C&O Historical Society as:

- A recreation area
- A place to share the heritage of the C&O A home-place for all things C&O
- A first-class museum
- A place to educate our children
- A place to honor our people and past A place to preserve and celebrate our heritage
- A place for community gatherings & celebration
- Our past is still our present...

Our annual visitation has grown each year, from 3,000 the first year to 6,000 the second to over 10,000 in our third year. As our reputation and awareness of the Center grows, and as we add new features and attractions, we are confident that this number will grow exponentially.

Our events have proven the ability of the Center to attract out of town visitors. Our Train Show draws over 500 in the depth of winter, and our annual Alleghany Railroad Heritage Festival draws thousands from around the region. We know of a number of new local businesses who stated that the Heritage Center was a significant factor in their decision to open their business.

We also place great importance on our role as a local resource. Many local people bring out-of-town guests to the museum to "show off" what they call the best of what our community has to offer. Our monthly "Come to Beans" pot luck luncheon has become a lookedforward-to event that brings the community together. Our Polar Express Adventure brings joy and magic to the hearts of children and adults at Christmas time. We host many dinners and other functions in the dining car. To top it off, the Stars and Stripes Celebration brings the whole community together for entertainment, celebration, and fireworks. These are just a few of the options offered to you.





## WANT LUNCH WITH YOUR TOUR? TRY ONE OF OUR LOCAL CATERERS

- A & B BAKERY 4420 JOHNSON CREEK ROA
- THE CLUB CAR 525 MAIN ST CLIFTON FOR
- HEIRLOOMS 429 E RIDGEWAY ST CLIFTC
- VIC'S FAMILY RESTAURANT 435 E RIDGEWAY



DINERS ABOARD THE GADSBY'S TAVERN









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OUR 1922 C&O DINING CAR GADSBY'S TAVERN.